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## Iowa Milk Production

**Iowa:** Milk production in Iowa in September 2009 totaled 350 million pounds, unchanged from September 2008. The average number of milk cows, 215,000 head, was unchanged from September 2008. Production per cow averaged 1,630 pounds, also unchanged from September 2008.

**United States:** Milk production in the 23 major States during September totaled 13.9 billion pounds, down 0.7 percent from September 2008. August revised production at 14.6 billion pounds, was down 0.1 percent from August 2008. The August revision

represented an increase of 23 million pounds or 0.2 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,672 pounds for September, 22 pounds above September 2008.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.34 million head, 168,000 head less than September 2008, and 32,000 head less than August 2009.

**Milk Cows and Production: By Selected States, September 2008-2009**

State	Milk Cows <sup>1</sup>		Milk Per Cow <sup>2</sup>		Milk Production <sup>2</sup>		
	2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	Change from 2008
	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	Pounds	Pounds	Million Pounds	Million Pounds	Percent
AZ	185	167	1,710	1,690	316	282	-10.8
CA	1,845	1,772	1,775	1,730	3,275	3,066	-6.4
CO	130	119	1,850	1,880	241	224	-7.1
FL	120	114	1,160	1,200	139	137	-1.4
ID	554	547	1,870	1,850	1,036	1,012	-2.3
IL	102	102	1,425	1,480	145	151	4.1
IN	166	168	1,550	1,620	257	272	5.8
<b>IA</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>1,630</b>	<b>1,630</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>350</b>	
KS	117	114	1,665	1,675	195	191	-2.1
MI	352	356	1,790	1,835	630	653	3.7
MN	465	469	1,490	1,535	693	720	3.9
MO	111	105	1,100	1,110	122	117	-4.1
NM	336	318	1,880	1,980	632	630	-0.3
NY	626	617	1,590	1,590	995	981	-1.4
OH	279	278	1,450	1,520	405	423	4.4
OR	115	114	1,590	1,605	183	183	
PA	548	542	1,530	1,560	838	846	1.0
TX	425	416	1,550	1,660	659	691	4.9
UT	85	83	1,740	1,760	148	146	-1.4
VT	139	134	1,470	1,485	204	199	-2.5
VA	97	96	1,360	1,395	132	134	1.5
WA	245	238	1,900	1,930	466	459	-1.5
WI	1,253	1,258	1,580	1,655	1,980	2,082	5.2
23-State Total <sup>3</sup>	8,510	8,342	1,650	1,672	14,041	13,949	-0.7

<sup>1</sup> Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. <sup>2</sup> Excludes milk sucked by calves. <sup>3</sup> As of February 2009, the 23 States are Arizona, California, Colorado, Florida, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Mexico, New York, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, and Wisconsin.